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"Islands, Castles & Portable Operations"
Listing is by calendar date (day/month/year)
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11/01/2013: Rick 'The Locust', K6VVA, is now scheduled to return to the Bahamas again. This time QRV as C6AVA on North Bimini Island (NA-048) from 11-14 January 2013. As always, this will be a primarily CW activation. Rick may also be QRV in the NAQP CW Contest. "An important note to Italian IOTA Chasers: If I send your callsign correctly the first time, please do NOT repeat your callsign 2 or 3 times as this unnecessarily wastes time. Stations who repeatedly call out-of-turn (Pileup "Bullies") will be confronted and run the risk of NOT getting into my log. If you cannot copy me, then please do NOT call." QSL ONLY via N6AWD. Further information and updates at: www.k6vva.com/iota/na048 [DX World]

11/01/2013: Look for Andre, F5UKL/p, to be active on 11 January 2013, all day, from the Corridor de l'Ousse-des-Bois natural area (WFF FFF-1301, WW Loc. IN93TI), region of Aquitaine (DPF 02). He will use IC-706, 100w and Buddipole antenna system. Andre will start on 10 metres. Suggested frequencies are: 28.044-CW, 28.544-ssb, 24.906-cw, 21.044-CW, 21.244-SSB, 18.086-CW, 14.044-CW, 14.244-SSB, 10.124-CW and 7.028-CW +/-QRM. QSL via home call, bureau or direct. [F5UKL]

11/01/2013: Lee, VK3GK will be active as VK3GK/9 from the Governor's Lodge, Norfolk Island (OC-005, WFF VKFF-392, WLOTA 1469), from 11-15 January 2013. He will operate holiday style on 80-10 metre SSB, with some CW. QSL via home call. [425 DX News]

11/01/2013: From 11-18 January 2013 the following operators will be active from the Blue Lagoon lodge, Lord Howe Island (OC-004, WFF VKFF-295, Grid Loc. QF98) - Tatsuo JA3ARJ/VK9L (QSL via H/c), Takeo JA3BZO/VK9L (QSL via H/c), Shozo JA3HJI/VK9L (QSL via H/c), Kunio AE6XY/VK9L (QSL via JA1CJA), Masumi W7AVO/VK9L (QSL via JA3AVO direct only) and Hiroko W7PBL/VK9L (QSL via JH3PBL direct only). The team will be QRV on 80-6 metre CW, SSB and RTTY. Check QSL policy on QRZ.com. [DX World]

11/01/2013: Roberto, I2JIN, will be active as YS3CW from Corinth, El Salvador, on 11-31 January 2013. QRV on 80-10 metres, mainly CW. QSL via I2JIN, direct or bureau. Log will be uploaded to LoTW. [OPDX Bulletin]

11/01/2013: Ken, K4ZW, is currently active from Juba, Republic of South Sudan, as Z81Z. Length of stay is unknown at this time. QRV 80-10m CW. QSL via home call, direct, also LoTW. [DXAT]

12/01/2013: On Saturday, 12 January 2013, Patrick F8DYD/p will activate the Castle of Bernagout (DFCF 86-106) commune de Vouneuil sous Biard (CP 86580), Poitiers 5th Canton (DDCF 86-35), departement Vienne/86 and region [province] Poitou-Charentes (DPF 19). QRG 3.686+/ MHz- 7.010 MHz CW and 7.086+/- MHz SSB. QSL via home call, bureau or direct. [F8DYD]

12/01/2013: Bill, K4FLV/p and Den W2DEN/4 will activate Venice Island (USi FL483S, Not IOTA, WW Loc. EL87SC) on 12 January 2013 from 1400 UTC - 2000 UTC. Den will be QRV on, or near, the usual island and IOTA frequencies using SSB, CW

and PSK-31, while Bill will be SSB only. Venice island is located in the Gulf of Mexico, Sarasota county, State of Florida. QSL via home calls. [USi]

12/01/2013: Sei, JA7LU and Hiroo, JA2VWG will QRV from Dao Phu Quoc [Phu Quoc Island] (AS-128, WFF 3WFF-020, WLOTA 2523) as XV4LU and XV4DDD, respectively, from 12-16 January 2013. Activity will be on the 40m to 10m bands using SSB and RTTY. QSL direct only to their home calls (JA: only SASE; Outside JA: only SASE+1 IRC or $2.00 - no via Buro). [DX World]

12/01/2013: Pete, K8PGJ, will be back on Grand Cayman Island (NA-016, WLOTA 1042) from 12-20 January 2013 to do some Scuba Diving and Island Style Operating on 20, 17 and 15 metre SSB depending on propagation in the morning and early afternoon during the week. On Saturday 19 January, Pete will be participating in the North American SSB QSO Party on 20 and 40 metres. QSL via home call, direct and LoTW. [DX World]

12/01/2013: Christian, F5UII, plans to be active as FY/F5UII from the FY5KE radio-club of Kourou, Guyana, between 13-30 January 2013. He will only trnasmit SSB on weekdays before 12:00z, after 22:00z and when he would be available to operate. Included in this trip will be activity from Salut islands [Ile Royale] (SA-020, WLOTA 0911) on 19th and 20th January. While on Ile Royale, Christian will be QRV with 100w on 40-10m using GPA-030 vertical antenna. QSL via home call, bureau preferred. Full information and updates can be found at: www.f5uii.net/en/fyf-5uii-en-guyane-du-13-au-30-janvier-2013/ [DX World]

15/01/2013: Carl, SM6CPY, will be active holiday style from Rwanda as 9X0PY between 15-31 January 2013. He will try to be active all bands depending on antenna possibilities. Mainly CW (lsn up 25), 100w. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [DX World]

15/01/2013: Take JG8NQJ will be returning to Minami Tori-Shima [Marcus Island] (OC-073, WW Loc. QL64XG, JCG #10007) on 15th January and staying until the middle of April 2013. Take works at the island weather station there, so this he will only be active during his spare time. Look for Take mainly on 17, 15, 12 and 10 metre CW. QSL via home call by the JARL bureau or direct to JA8CJY. Logsearch at: dx.qsl.net/cgi-bin/logform.cgi?jd1-jg8nqj [DX World]

15/01/2013: Leo, PP1CZ, will be on vacation with his family to Fernando de Noronha Island (SA-003, DIB OC-01, WFF PYFF-016, WLOTA 1208) for 6 days between 15-21 January 2013. He will be QRV on the HF bands, in his spare time, as PY0F/PP1CZ. Leo will focus on 160 and 80 metre CW. RTTY, CW and some SSB on the other bands. QSL via his home callsign. [DX World]

17/01/2013: Once again Peter, HA3AUI, is returning to West Africa between 17 January and 10 March 2013. Look for him to be active from Casamance, Senegal, as 6W2SC and from Varela, Guinea-Bissau as J5UAP during this period. Possible IOTA activity too. QSL via HA3AUI, direct only. Website: cqafrica.net/ [DX World]

18/01/2013: Joe, K5KUA, will once again activate Galveston Island (NA-143, USi TX001S), Galveston county, Texas, from 18-21 January 2013. While there he will be working CW only on 40m thru 10m (mostly 20m and 40m) as conditions and time permits. QSL direct or via bureau to K5KUA. [rsgbiota.org]

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LOOKING AHEAD -

19/01/2013: RNLI SOS Radio week runs from 19 to 27 January 2013 and more than 25 stations have registered to take part. There is an award for contacting registered stations. For full details of those stations, check out the website at www.sosradioweek.org.uk/. [GB2RS]

19/01/2013: Pontefract & District ARS will be operating GB0SRW from 19 to 27 January 2013 as part of the RNLI SOS Radio week. The club will operate on the 40, 20, 4 and 2m bands from Pontefract, Yorkshire, England (EU-005, WAB SE42, WLOTA 1841, WW Loc. IO93IQ). QSLs will be sent but only on receipt of a card either direct to G0BPK or via the RSGB bureau to GB0SRW. Full details at: www.qrz.com/db/GB0SRW [GB2RS]

21/01/2013: Pierre, F8APV and Stephane, F8EOI will be returning to Reunion Island (AF-016, DIFO FR-001, WFF FFF-011, WLOTA 1812) and operating as FR/F8APV and FR/F8EOI between 21 January and 8 February 2013. They will be active on 40 metres and up with a Buddipole antenna system (longer than standard with telescopic long whip). Special attention on 30 metre CW and 20 metre SSB. Possible Skeds welcome at pierre.goasguen.f8apv[at]gmail.com [DX World]

23/01/2013: Raf ON5RZ, Jean ON4JW and Dirk ON7DS will be active from the 'Far North' in Ragunda, Sweden, at the King Chulalongkorn Memorial ARC station from 23-28 January 2013 as SI9AM. They will also be QRV for the UBA SSB DX Contest (26-27 January). QSL via SM3CVM, bureau cards can be requested by email to info(at)si9am.se . All info, live video, chatbox and more can be found at: www.si9am.se/. [UBA HF News]

25/01/2013: Nodir, EY8MM, will once again be active from Dushanbe, Tajikistan, during the CQWW 160-M CW Contest (25-27 January) as a Single-Op entry from CQ zone 17. QSL via K1BV. Website: www.ey8mm.com/ [NG3K]

25/01/2013: Look for the Radiosporting Team to activate OH0Z, Riddarklint hill, Mariehamn, Fasta Aland (EU-002, WFF OHFF-037, WLOTA 1373), in the CQWW 160-M CW Contest (25-27 January) as a Multi-Single entry from CQ zone 15. Operators will be Juha OH1JT, Ari OH5DX and Tomi OH6EI. QSL via W0MM. [NG3K]

06/02/2013: A large multi-national team from the Radio Club de Provins (F6KOP) will be active as 5X8C from the Country Lake Resort, Garuga, Uganda (WW Loc. KJ60GB) between 6-18 February 2013. They will have six stations active on 160-6 metre CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. Operators include Franck F4AJQ, Seb F5UFX, Alain F6ENO, Bob N6OX, Dave K4SV, Michel FM5CD, Gerard F2JD, Uwe DL8OBF, Francois ON4LO, Flo F5CWU, Jean Jacques F5NKX, Norbert DJ7JC, Eric ON7RN, Michel F5EOT, John F5VHQ, Jean Paul F8BJI, Gerard F2VX, Hans DL1YFF, Valery RG8K/UT7CR, Patrick F2DX, Mike UA9KGH, Jean-Marc F8IXZ, Lars DF1LON and Jean-Louis F5NHJ. Yann, F1NGP will be their QSL manager (100% OK Direct, OQRS, Buro, LOTW). Full information at: www.qrz.com/db/5X8C [DX World]

14/02/2013: Look for George, KQ8Z, to be active between (approx) 14 February and 5 March 2013 from near High Rock, on Grand Bahama Island (NA-080, WLOTA 0527, WW Loc. FL06UO). His main focus will be a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m)/Low-Power entry in both the ARRL DX CW Contest (16-17 February) and the ARRL DX SSB Contest (2-3 March). George will be active on other bands for a few days before and after the contests. QSL via KQ8Z, direct only (SASE or SAE and $1). [NG3K]

20/02/2013: Dick, WN3R, will be active once again on all HF bands and modes from Grand Cayman Island (NA-016, WLOTA 1042) as ZF2RW between 20-26 February 2013. QSL direct to his home call (QRZ.com). [DXAT]

02/03/2013: Marc, F1HAR, will be active from Kourou, French Guiana, as FY5KE during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (2-3 March) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (15m)/High-Power entry. QSL via LoTW. QSL also OK via REF bureau or direct to FY5KE address (QRZ.com). [NG3K]

02/03/2013: Look for Herve, F5HRY, to be active from Kourou, French Guiana, as TO1A in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (2-3 March). Plans are for a

Single-Op/Single-Band (10m)/High-Power entry. QSL via LoTW. [NG3K]

10/03/2013: The Borneo Amateur Radio Club (BARC) will be active again as 9M4SLL from Pulau Layang Layang, Spratly Islands (AS-051, WW Loc. OJ67WI), from 10-18 March 2013 inclusive. Operators include John 9M6XRO, Steve 9M6DXX, James 9V1YC, Ben DJ0YI / N6MUF, Don G3BJ, Christian EA3NT and Tony KM0O. The group will be active on 160 to 10 metre CW, SSB and RTTY, with multiple stations using 400W linear amplifiers to vertical antennas on the edge of the ocean. QSL via M0URX ONLY: by OQRS (Direct or Bureau), Direct by mail (with SAE + $2), on LoTW, or via the RSGB bureau (all bureau cards MUST be marked "via M0URX"). Logs will be uploaded to LoTW as soon as possible after the end of the DXpedition (within a few days). More details to follow later. Website: www.qrz.com/db/9M4SLL [9M6DXX]

12/03/2013: Members of the GMDX Group, namely Gavin GM0GAV, Clive GM3POI, Robert GM3YTS and Tom GM4FDM, will be active from Tuvalu as T2GM between 12-23 March 2013. The team will operate from the Vaiaku Lagi Hotel on the Te Namo lagoon side of Fongafale islet, Funafuti Atoll, Tuvalu Islands (OC-015, WW Loc. RI91OL). They will operate 2 x 500w stations using the Elecraft K3 and Microham Interface Units, using vertical antennas placed either in or at the edge of the lagoon. The Hotel promises internet and if that is the case they shall endeavour to upload logs to Clublog and LoTW. QSL MANAGER will be GM4FDM (QRZ.com) email: tgwylie[at]virginmedia.com . QSL POLICY: Cards received by the Bureau including SWL will be returned by the Bureau. Direct Cards snail mail to GM4FDM with Self Addressed Envelope and $2 no IRC please) OQRS via Clublog: OQRS Rate $3 for first card with up to 7 QSOs thereafter an additional 50c for each additional CARD! The team intentionally have no web page, but will run a BLOG courtesy MM0NDX before and during the expedition at: t2gm.org/ [DX World]

14/03/2013: Jim, ZL1LC, has booked airlines and accommodation to allow me to run as ZL7LC from 14-20 March 2013 on Chatham Island (OC-038, WLOTA 1627, WW Loc. AE16UG). Other preparations are going well. This is a micro DXpedition for Jim and XYL with limited gear. He will be running PSK31 only. The rigs will be Icom 7000 and 7200 units and the antennas will verticals on 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres. The QTH is within 100 metres of the sea, so DX should be hot. Frequencies will be the standard PSK frequencies of 7.035, 14.070, 21.070 and 28.120 MHz. Jim will normally be operating on the highest working frequency. If/when a pileup develops, callers will be asked to work SPLIT and transmit 100 - 400Hz higher. For ZL contacts, there is a chance of SSB on 3.677 MHz from 0700z to 0800z but it depends upon the PSK activity. This activity will also count for the nearby Kaingaroa [Kaingaroa Harbor Range, front] lighthouse, which is about 1km away (ARLHS CHA-009, Admiralty K4547.4). All QSLs direct to ZL1LC and further updates will be on the ZL7LC QRZ.com page. [ZL1LC]

03/04/2013: Haru, JA1XGI, plans to be active from Palikir, Pohnpei Island (OC-010, WW Loc. QJ96CX), F.S.M., as V63XG between 3-11 April 2013. QRV on 160-6 metre CW, SSB, RTTY and JT65 using IC-7000, DXV 500L amp 300W to 500W, 2 el Yagi (18, 24 MHz) and Fishing Rod 1/4 Whip(7, 10, 14, 18, 21 MHz). Look for him on 6 metres - 50.110 MHz CW, 50.150 MHz USB, 50.090 MHz RTTY and MHz 50.330 JT65. QSL via his home call, direct or by the JARL bureau. Website: island.geocities.jp/v63xg/index.htm [DX World]

26/07/2013: Operators Colin G3VCQ, Andy M0GAV and Sharon M3VCQ plan to be active as CT7ACG (callsign pending) from Culatra Island (EU-145, DIA Ai-01, DIP AL-001, PIP ST-019, WLOTA 0144), Faro county, Portugal, from 26-29 July 2013. This will include an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (27-28 July). Outside the contest look for the team to be QRV on all bands and modes. QSL direct or bureau to CT7ACG. Website: www.sheffield-live.co.uk/ [rsgbiota.org]
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SPECIAL EVENTS -

11/01/2013: DB100AWPB is a special callsign issued for the 100th anniversary of the "Ausbesserungswerk Paderborn" of the German Railway. QRV during the entire year 2013 on 160m-70cm CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK and FM. QSL via DO6NIK direct (Clublog OQRS) and LoTW. Website: www.qrz.com/db/DB100AWPB [DXNL]

11/01/2013: Special event callsign N4D will be active on 11-25 January 2013 for the ARRL Puerto Rico State Convention (www.arrlpr.org/), Hatillo, Puerto Rico (NA-099, USi PR006S, WLOTA 2802). QSL via WP4CRG. During the convention, on 26-27 January, look for the the official ARRL amateur radio station to be QRV as W1AW/KP4. [425 DX News]

11/01/2013: In 1613 Mikhail I Fyodorovich became the first Russian Tsar of the house of Romanov. His reign marked the end of the Time of Troubles, The Reestablishment of the Russian State and The Ascension of the House of Romanoff to the Russian Throne. Throughout the year 2013 the Pushkino Radio Club (RK3DWA) will put the special callsign R400DR on the air to remember Michael I. QSL via RN3DG. Website: www.imperialhouse.ru/ [DXNL]

11/01/2013: The shooting club "Sniper" in Vologda (RDA VO-01), Russia, celebrates its 60th jubilee with the special event station R60SKV, which will be QRV on all bands and modes until October 2013. QSL via RA1QD. [DXNL]

12/01/2013: The Extreme DX & Contest Group will use special callsign II3CV between 12 January and 12 February 2013 to celebrate the Carnival of Venice. QSL via IK3HHX, direct or bureau. Information on the relevant award can be found at: www.extremegroup.org/ [425 DX News]

15/01/2013: Every Austrian amateur radio operator has a chance to operate with the special callsign OE2013(xxx) (their own suffix) between 15 January and 18 February 2013. Activity is to celebrate the Alpine Ski World Championships 2013 taking place in Schladming. An award is available for three different classes (Gold, Platinum and Diamond). Each class requires a certain number of special event stations and OE stations logged. Each special event station or OE station will only count once on each band. All bands and the below listed modes may be used; the only exception Packet radio and Echo Link contacts do not count. The award may be worked in the following modes: CW, SSB, Digital, Mixed and QRP (max. 10 Watts). For complete details, visit: wmdiplom2013.oevsv.at/ [OPDX Bulletin]

15/01/2013: Janusz, SP9YI, reports that he will be active from Mierzecice, Poland, as HF0A (WAP-237) from 15 January to 28 February 2013 and in particular during 10th AAW (18-24 February). QSL via SP9YI. Janusz already holds WAP-215 for HF36POL and WAP-216 for HF35APAS for past activities and now he got WAP-237, for HF0A. Counts for ARCTOWSKI Antarctic Award Program !!! (www.piekary.com.pl/aaa). List of participants for the 10th AAW is hosted and updated regularly on WAP website (www.waponline.it/). [I1HYW]

U.S.A. Special Events can be found at: www.arrl.org/special-event-stations

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LIGHTHOUSE CALENDAR -

11/01-25/01 N4D: Puerto Rico Island WLOTA:2802 QSL WP4CRG (d)
11/01-15/01 VK3GK/9: Norfolk Island WLOTA:1469 QSL H/c (d/B)
12/01-16/01 XV4DDD: Dao Phu Quoc WLOTA:2523 QSL JA2VWG (d)
12/01-16/01 XV4LU: Dao Phu Quoc WLOTA:2523 QSL JA7LU (d)
12/01-20/01 ZF2PG: Grand Cayman Island WLOTA:1042 QSL K8PGJ (d)
15/01-21/01 PY0F/PP1CZ: Ilha Fernando de Noronha WLOTA:1208 QSL H/c (d)

19/01-20/01 FY/F5UII: Ile Royale - Ile du Salut WLOTA:0911 QSL H/c (d/B)
19/01-27/01 GB0SRW: England (main island) WLOTA:1841 QSL RSGB Buro
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6 METRES & UP -

11/01-18/01 JA3ARJ/VK9L: Lord Howe OC-004 Grid:QF98 6m CW/SSB QSL H/c (d/B)
11/01-18/01 JA3BZO/VK9L: Lord Howe OC-004 Grid:QF98 6m CW/SSB QSL H/c (d/B)
11/01-18/01 JA3HJI/VK9L: Lord Howe OC-004 Grid:QF98 6m CW/SSB QSL H/c (d/B)
11/01-18/01 AE6XY/VK9L: Lord Howe OC-004 Grid:QF98 6m CW/SSB QSL JA1CJA (d/B)
11/01-18/01 W7AVO/VK9L: Lord Howe OC-004 Grid:QF98 6m CW/SSB QSL JA3AVO (d)
11/01-18/01 W7PBL/VK9L: Lord Howe OC-004 Grid:QF98 6m CW/SSB QSL JH3PBL (d)
12/01-13/01 Two Meter VHF Contest Fixed-/M-/P All Mode 12 12pm-13 12pm local
12/01-13/01 VK Summer VHF-UHF Field Day 50MHz-47GHz 12 0100z-13 0100z
13/01 SKCC Weekend Sprintathon 6m class 0000z-2359z
15/01 LY 1.3GHz Activity Contest CW/SSB/FM/Open 1800z-2159z
15/01 NRAU 1.3GHz Activity Contest SO/MO/Open 1800z-2200z
15/01 RSGB 1.3GHz UKAC SO Fixed/Open 2000z-2230z
15/01-1/1/14 VK0JJJ: Mawson Base Grid:MC12KJ 6m 400W 5el 50.3/B QSL VK3ZAZ (d)
17/01 NRAU 70MHz Activity Contest SO/MO/Open 1800z-2200z
19/01-21/01 ARRL January VHF Sweepstakes SO/MO/Rover/LP/HP 19 1900z-21 0359z
19/01-27/01 GB0SRW: RNLI SOS Radio week Grid:IO93IQ 4m/2m CW/Phone QSL Buro

Contest Calendar: www.qsl.net/va3rj/con_jan.html

GOT6??? - Six Meter Information by Andy 'NEON' Sargent N8OFS at:
http://noars.net/got6/GOT6.txt (Updated: 10 January 2013)

Information about current VHF activities can be found on the VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: www.MMMonVHF.de/

SMIRK: www.smirk.org/
SOTA (Summits On The Air) Watch Alerts at: www.sotawatch.org/
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QSL INFO -

The following operation is approved for DXCC credit:

3D2C - Conway Reef
2012 Operation

If you had cards previously rejected for this operation please send an e-mail to bmoore[at]arrl.org to be put on the list for an update.

73 es DX!
Bill Moore NC1L
Awards Branch Manager

QSLs via Bureau: 3X5A, 4U1ITU, 5U5Z, 5X1NH, 8R1K, A45XR, DJ9MT, EA8OM, JW7QI, KD6WW/VY0, KM1CC, KN4Y, LU6EF, OA4DKC, OE1XMF/U20, OH0Z, OK1CF, S21YZ, SU/DL1ELX, SV8/DF7XE/p, T32WW, TM1MIL, TO7C, TZ5A and ZD8K.

QSLs via Direct: 3D2C (OQRS), 3V8BB (LX1NO), 7Z7AB [AS-190] (OQRS), 9Y4LAS (QRZ.com), AA4VK/CY0 (OQRS), BA4TB/4 [AS-136] (H/c), C6AUM (K4RUM), C6AZZ (KQ8Z), E51AIU (JJ8DEN), EL2A (G3SXW), EL2DT (EL2FM), JW2US [EU-027] (LA2US), JW7QIA (LA7QIA), KH2/N2NL (W2YC), P29NI (G3KHZ), P29VCX (SM6CVX), P29VPB (G3KHZ), PJ2/K2PLF (H/c), TF/VE3IKV (H/c), TG9IDX (QRZ.com), TR8CA (F6CBC), V63PR (JJ8DEN), V73AX [OC-028] (WH0AI), VP2MDD (M0AEP), VU3BPZ/mm [MS Ivan Papanin] (I1HYW), WA4DAN/CY0 (OQRS) and YE9IOTA [OC-150] (YB9BU).

QSLs via LoTW: 5T0SP, 5W1SA, 7P8D, C6AKQ, CT1JOP, H7/AJ9C, HR2/NP3J, IQ3UD, P40W, PJ2/K2PLF, PJ4D, RI1ANF, T77C, TG9IDX, V31MW, V31YK, V73CW, VE3RZ, WP3A and ZL9HR.

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LINKS -

IOTA (Islands On The Air) at: www.rsgbiota.org/
USi (U.S. Islands Award Program) at: www.usislands.org/
VEFF - Canada Flora & Fauna at: www.qsl.net/va3rj/
VEFF Forum at: groups.yahoo.com/group/VEFF/
WCA (World Castles on the Air) at: www.wcagroup.org/ENG/wcag.html
WWFF (World-Wide Flora & Fauna) at: ww-ff.blogspot.nl/
WLOTA (World Lighthouses On The Air at: www.wlota.com/

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BITS & PIECES -

9-island Denmark-Germany-Poland IOTA Tour -

I've had to cancel last minute my participation due to a family matter. Really disappointed to, but family comes first. Vincent F4BKV will do the trip solo and I wish him good luck with those chasing him.

73 Col, MM0NDX

Award "Deutsche Rosenschau 2013"

The Deutsche Amateur Radio Club e.V., local group Forst/Lausitz, DOK Y27, offers the short term award "Deutsche Rosenschau 2013" ("German Rose exhibition") for ham radio contacts within the year 2013 on the occasion of the 100th jubilee of the Rose Garden Forst ("Ostdeutscher Rosengarten Forst"). The exhibition takes place for June 14 to September 29 in Forst (Lausitz).

http://www.darc.de/distrikte/y/27/diplomdeutsche-rosenschau-2013/ [DXNL]

DE0BAH's QSL album:

Karl-Heinz, DE0BAH, has put together a collection of QSL cards on his website at: www.de0bah.de/ [DXNL]

Djerba Island DXpedition -

With the collaboration of the Associatio Radio Amaterurs Tunisiens, I am organize 2nd great Dxpedition to Djerba, like TS8P in the year 2010: (QRZ.com)
Date: one week of april or may 2013.
Refer.: IOTA AF-083, WFF 3VFF-007, lighthouse WLOTA L-1394 & ARLHS TUN-022.
The period will be during ine week of april or may 2013.
I believe that the multioperator call will be TS8IT, TS8TI, TS8DJ, 3V8D, 3V8TI.
Freq.: HF - WARC - Modes : SSB - PSK31 - RTTY - CW. (AMTOR).
Team: IK7JWX Alfredo (team leader), IK2DUW Antonello (Qsl manager), IW2NLC Rosy (YL), IS0AGY Ampelio, IK8TEM Ferruccio, I8LWL Leopoldo, IK8GQY Titti (YL) + 3 op. CW > ON4ON, ON5SY and ON7PQ.
I am waiting for the confirm by: I2JJR Augusto - Dario IT9SSI.
We search sponsors and contributors.
73s de Alfredo IK7JWX - team leader [DE0MST]

Hi QRP'ers. It's time again for the K3Y QRP Challenge.
Although the Challenge is no longer an official part of the SKCC event, I will be managing it, using a separate web page, QRP log submission, results page, prizes etc.
This year's Challenge is open to all Hams so, it should be a real blast. It will run from: 0001 UTC 18 January 2013 thru 2359 UTC 31 January 2013.
For complete rules and access to score submission and review results once the event is under way, go to: www.qrpchallenge.com/ . Prizes to be announced on

the web site.
You might ask; Why QRP Challenge? For bragging rights, of course! :-)
73, Milt k4oso
QRP Challenge manager

Triathlon DX Contest -
Get Ready for the first Triathlon DX Contest on Saturday, 2/2/2013 RTTY, SSB and CW in a single contest!!!
A big surprise award!!!
Team contesting and many more...
Details including rules in English, Italian and Greek on our website at:
http://www.triathlon-dx-contest.gr
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Kostas Stamatis, SV1DPI
Triathlon Contest Manager

WAP Directories 12th Edition, January 2013
HI Folks,
New release of WAP WADA and WAP WADA Directories as well as the WAP Check Program of IK6CAC, have been loaded to the WAP website (www.waponline.it) .
Both Directories are downloadable for free at WAP Home page. Save and print them, they are both a precious tool to guide you on your DX hunting, on your Antarctic Awards, or when you file your Old and New Antarctic QSL cards.
WAP Staff would like to thank the many contributors who are helping us with information and suggestions, letting us able to continue the job we did start in 1979.
73 from WAP Staff [I1HYW]
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73 and Good DX!
Dave Raycroft, VA3RJ
Home of I.C.P.O. & VEFF Program: http://www.qsl.net/va3rj/
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